GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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HOSTELS AND OTHER FACILITIES FOR GIRLS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount earmarked and spent each year to construct hostels and strengthen other facilities for girls to promote the secondary education during the current Five Year Plan;

(b) if the funds have not been utlised fully, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the implementation of the said scheme has been slow during the last two years;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government is providing grant to Non- governmental Organisations and registered Committees;

(f) if so, the details of the non-governmental organizations;

(g) whether schools are being set up in backward blocks by such Committees; and

(h) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) Under the "Scheme for Strengthening of Boarding and Hostel facilities for Girl Students of Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools" financial assistance is available to provide boarding and lodging facilities to the girls studying in classes VI to XII. There is no provision for construction of hostels under the scheme.

The year-wise budget allocation and expenditure under the scheme is as follows:-

(Rs. in crore)

Year	BE	RE	Expenditure
2002-03	18.00	10.00	17.82
2003-04	20.00	16.51	5.91
2004-05	30.00	5.40	3.72
2005-06	10.00	6.40	3.90

(b) The scheme is demand, driven and only viable proposals received from the eligible NGOs can be considered. The scheme has not been operated for running hostel during the financial years 2005-06 and 2006-07, pending an evaluation.

(c) Yes, sir.

(d) During the lst 2 years (2005-06 & 2006-07), no new proposal pertaining to these two years has been considered pending an evaluation of the scheme. Releases have been made only for cases pertaining to the years upto 2004-05.

(e) & (f) During the last 3 years, the number of NGOs which have been sanctioned grant is as follows:-

Years	No. of NGOs

2004-05	157
2005-06	121
2006-07	37 (as on 16.03.2007)

(g) & (h) The scheme is not meant to set up schools, but to run girls' hostels.